

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1, 16, and 22 were previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Claims 6-15, 20, and 23 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Claims 2, 3, 17, 18, and 24 are amended to overcome the Examiner's objections. No new matter is added.

Claims 2-5, 17-19, 21, and 24 are pending.

II. Acknowledgment of Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-5, 17-19, 21, and 24. Applicant amended the claims per the Examiner's helpful suggestions and cancelled the withdrawn claims. Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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